

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## ARCHITECTURAL LICENSING BOARD

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MARCH 13, 2013

The six hundred and seventy eighth meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board, held on March 13, 2013, was called to order by Mr. Robert S. Hurd at 9:05 AM in Room No. 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

### **Board Members**

<b>Present:</b>	David H. Barkin	Board Member
	Carole W. Briggs	Board Member
	Robert B. Hurd	Board Member
	S. Edward Jeter	Chairman (by telephone)
	Pauline S. Morales	Board Member

### **Board Members**

**Not Present:** None

**Vacancy:** None

<b>Others Present:</b>	Robert M. Kuzmich	Department of Consumer Protection (DCP)
	Steven J. Schwane	Department of Consumer Protection
	Peter R. Huntsman	Attorney General's Office
	Diane Harp Jones	AIA/CT
	Bruce Spiewak	AIA/CT
	Brian Cleveland	A.R.E. Candidate

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## **1. Old Business**

1A. Submission of the minutes of the January 18, 2013 Architectural Licensing Board Meeting; for review and approval. The following corrections were noted by the Board and Board's Council; page two (2), Agenda Item 1B, line three, the word "refeered" is misspelled and shall be corrected to read "referred". Page five (5), last paragraph, the date is incorrect and shall be changed to read "Wednesday, March 13, 2013" and the Room No. shall be changed to "Room 119". As such, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as corrected herein. (Briggs/Jeter)

1B. Continuation of discussion concerning Letter dated January 3, 2013 from Anthony L. D'Andrea, Chairman, Board of Examiners for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors; for discussion by the Board. Mr. Barkin stated that the Board agreed that the letter was too broad and wanted clarification from the Board's Council. Mr. Huntsman explained that the letter cites an engineer doing structural work in the City of Hartford which was not being accepted by the City of Hartford Official D. L. Chandler. The Engineering Board was trying to help the engineer get his plans approved and cited in their letter that they do not concur with Mr. Chandler's statement that "an architectural project is any built form that modifies the visual landscape".

Mr. Huntsman stated that the work was clearly engineering work involving incidental architectural work. He also advised that the Board that their question regarding the letter should be addressed to the Mr. D'Andrea and the Engineering Board. Ms. Harp Jones, speaking on behalf of AIA/CT, stated that Mr. D'Andrea's letter as written does not state the circumstances to which it was written and the letter is now a part of public record and could be interpreted as giving Engineers more authority over architectural work than the law allows.

Mr. Barkin stated that perhaps the focus of this Board's concern in Mr. D'Andrea's letter is the sentence reading "It was the opinion of the Board that a licensed professional engineer may sign the plan set and as a result would be responsible for the design and the completion of the project". Mr. Hurd agreed that this statement implies more than what it states and begins to reach beyond its context.

After more extensive discussion, Mr. Barkin volunteered to draft a response on behalf of the Board which he will e-mail to Mr. Kuzmich who will then distribute the same to the Board in advance of the meeting. As such, the Board decided to postpone further action on this agenda Item until their May 10, 2013 Regular Board Meeting

## **2. New Business**

### 2A. Memorandum from Mr. Steven Schwane dated February 28, 2013 concerning Proposed Regulations Permitting Electronic Seals

- 1) Proposed language for changes to Section 20-287-7 of the Regulations. This is a draft previously reviewed by the Board several years ago. Language in brackets is being eliminated, underlined language is being added.
- 2) The Landscape Architect regulation presently in effect.
- 3) The Professional Engineer and Land Surveyor regulation that was just approved by the Legislative Regulation Review Committee on February 26, 2013.

Mr. Schwane expanded on the nature of the documentation listed above that was distributed to the Board ahead of this meeting. After extensive discussion the Board agreed to the language as previously drafted with the deletion of subsection (e) of Section 20-289-7. Seals.

Ms. Briggs first motioned to ask the Commissioner to act on the proposed amendments to their regulations for Section 20-289-7 subject to the change deleting the subsection (e) for approval. The motioned was seconded by Mr. Jeter. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Schwane noted that he will now present these changes to the Department's legislative liaison for the Commissioner's review and approval.

2B. Complaint Report from the Trade Practices Division concerning Complaints associated with the Architectural Licensing Board; for the Board's review. Mr. Kuzmich explained that the complaints on this report are presently open. Mr. Hurd questioned the fact that this report shows no open complaints from 2010, 2011, and 2013. The Board stated that this report seems "light" and may not be showing all the complaints. Ms. Jones noted that some of AIA/CT's recently filed complaints are not shown on this report. The Board asked Mr. Kuzmich to follow up with Mr. Maloney from the Trade Practices Division on the status of these complaints and why they are not on this report.

2C. The following candidates has passed the Architect Registration Examination and is recommended by the Department of Consumer Protection for licensing as an Architect in the State of Connecticut; the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the following individuals for licensing as architects in Connecticut. (Briggs/Barkin)

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| 1. Albert, Ramona | 4. Rozario, Mark R.      |
| 2. Delgado, Tomas | 5. Spoelstra, Melissa M. |
| 3. Jobst, Brandt  |                          |

2D. Application of Mr. Brian Cleveland for admission to the Architectural Registration Examination by alternate to Accredited Degree; for review by Board. Mr. Hurd confirmed with the applicant that the college he attended did not make him aware that a five year accredited degree in Architecture is now almost universally required by most States for licensure.

Mr. Cleveland distributed a resume and letters of recommendation from both his past and current employers. He summarized his professional experience in architecture and noted that he has with him transcripts from his college and NCARB documentation of his IDP hours. Mr. Hurd noted that his records indicate that he is somewhat deficient in leadership and service to which Mr. Cleveland responded that this resulted from a lack of understanding of what this category consists.

After more brief discussion, the Board voted unanimously to have a Member step down to review Mr. Cleveland’s file. (Briggs/Jeter) Mr. Hurd asked Mr. Barkin if he would review this file. Mr. Barkin accepted and will coordinate with Mr. Cleveland on future meeting time(s).

2E. Applications for licensing by waiver of examination; the following individuals are recommended by the Department of Consumer Protection for licensing as architects in the State of Connecticut on the basis of waiver of examination with an NCARB Certificate Record or by Direct Endorsement; the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the following individuals, except Applicant No. 16, for licensing as architects in the State of Connecticut. (Briggs/Jeter)

1	Adams, Marie Law	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 254373)
2	Adams, Ross Gene	Waiver of Examination; Arizona	(NCARB File No. 36416)
3	Anderson, Samuel M.	Waiver of Examination; Texas	(NCARB File No. 57923)
4	Anderson, Todd John	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
5	Barlow, Stephen	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
6	Barry, Donald F.	Waiver of Examination; Michigan	(NCARB File No. 61459)
7	Baumann, Russell M.	Waiver of Examination; Georgia	(NCARB File No. 59735)
8	Burgess, Michael	Waiver of Examination; Virginia	(NCARB File No. 97996)
9	Carlson, Richard A.	Waiver of Examination; Iowa	(NCARB File No. 95276)

10	Chianis, Gregory A.	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
11	Connor, Mark	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 674592)
12	Dicker, Bruce Wayne	Waiver of Examination; Virginia	(NCARB File No. 61328)
13	Dillard, David A.	Waiver of Examination; Oklahoma	(NCARB File No. 28993)
14	Dube, Rosanne	Waiver of Examination; Montreal, Quebec, CA	(NCARB File No. 108178)
15	Esquivel, James A.	Waiver of Examination; North Carolina	Direct
16	Goodwin, Edward J.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	
17	Harwood, James	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
18	Kelley, Jr., James E.	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 72481)
19	Klee, Zachary A.	Waiver of Examination; District of Columbia	(NCARB File No. 70550)
20	Leary, Robert C.	Waiver of Examination; District of Columbia	Direct
21	Linehan, Kenneth	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 73546)
22	Marshall, Robert Brian	Waiver of Examination; Ohio	(NCARB File No. 61061)
23	McAlary, Patrick J.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 723281)
24	Moser, Moira	Waiver of Examination; California	(NCARB File No. 25510)
25	Olsen, Keith Edward	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 103894)
26	Rosato, Leland M.	Waiver of Examination; Ohio	(NCARB File No. 75849)
27	Shim, Sodahm Suzanne	Waiver of Examination; Colorado	(NCARB File No. 94584)
28	Shremshock, Timothy J.	Waiver of Examination; Ohio	(NCARB File No. 61850)
29	Varano, Brian	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 115782)
30	Viveiros, Michael J.	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 48866)
31	Weinberg, David Lloyd	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 639563)
32	Zoli, Thomas Julliard	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 99156)

Mr. Kuzmich explained to the Board the circumstances surrounding the application of Mr. Edward J. Goodwin, Applicant No. 16. The State of Pennsylvania had a fire that destroyed all architectural records including Mr. Goodwin's Examination scores. Mr. Kuzmich received verification from the State of Pennsylvania that Mr. Goodwin did pass the Architectural Registration Examination. As such, the Board voted unanimously to approve this application for licensing as an architect in the State of Connecticut. (Briggs/Jeter)

2F. Applications for the Corporate Practice of Architecture; the Department has reviewed and recommends for approval the following applications; *the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the following applications for the Corporate Practice of Architecture in Connecticut. (Briggs/Barkin)*

Bartlett Amaruso + Recce - Architects, P.C.  
190 Motor Parkway, Suite 201  
Hauppauge, New York 11788

Richard T. Bartlett, CEO  
Connecticut Lic. No. 12584

McGinley Kalsow & Associates Inc.  
324 Broadway, P.O. Box 45248  
Somerville, Massachusetts 02145

Wendall C. Kalsow, CEO  
Connecticut Lic. No. 9430

Tecton Architects, P.C.  
One Hartford Square West, Suite 103  
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Edward Cutler, CEO  
Connecticut Lic. No. 9107

2G. Update from the Department's Legal Staff regarding any Board issues or otherwise.

2H. Any correspondence and/or business received in the interim.

1. Mr. Kuzmich reported to the Board that that he has posted to the Department's website the Board's letter concerning the use of the term architect and the Board's quarterly reports that are presented at the New England Council of Architectural Registration Boards quarterly meetings.

2. Mr. Barkin noted that he recently received his license in Nevada. He stated that Nevada requires applicants for licensing to take a test on their regulations and statutes and was impressed with how effective this test was in familiarizing him with Nevada Law relative to architecture. He suggested the possibility that this Board consider something like this in the future. The test was true/false and multiple choice in structure and requires a 100% passing rate.

After more discussion, the Board asked Mr. Barkin to bring a copy of this examination to the Board at their next meeting for continuing discussion.

3. Ms. Harp Jones thanked the professional members of this Board for their support of AIA/CT.

**The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board is scheduled for Friday, May 17, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.; State Office Building; Room 117; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A.  
Board Administrator